

WILL ELECTRIFY PORTION OF LINE

Norfolk and Western Preparing Contracts for Change Near Bluefield, W. Va.

COAL IS GREATEST FACTOR

During Past Year N. & W. Has Hauled More Than 21,000,000 Tons of Mine Products.

Contracts for acquiring the necessary apparatus and equipment for the electrification of thirty miles of its line between Bluefield and Vivian, W. Va., are being prepared by the Norfolk and Western Railway Company. The board of directors has authorized the expenditure of \$1,000,000 for this work, which, it is estimated, will require two years to complete, and will cost approximately \$2,500,000.

The management of the road, after careful investigation, determined that that part of the line could be operated with much greater economy by handling with electric power the heavy coal traffic in that district, where the density of train service is the greatest and the opposing grades are the heaviest. An electrical power-house will be erected near Bluefield, W. Va., with necessary substations at other points.

Coal Is Largest Freight Item. Bituminous coal is the largest single item of revenue freight carried by the Norfolk and Western Railway. In the elaborate tables prepared by President L. E. Johnson to show the stockholders of the road in detail its exact condition, this product equaled 64 per cent of the freight tonnage hauled for the fiscal year ending June 30. In all, 21,160,532 tons of coal were hauled, the total tonnage for the year being 36,538,654 tons. This is an increase of more than 10 per cent over the previous year.

The larger part of the coal comes from the Bluefield district, and it passes over the thirty-mile stretch which it is proposed to electrify. The grades at that point are extremely heavy, and even with the gigantic mounds which have been purchased within the past few years it is a serious problem to keep the traffic moving by steam.

Money for Improvements. President Johnson's report is the twentieth to be presented to the stockholders of the road. The Norfolk and Western Railway Company having started operations on October 1, 1898, since that time \$107,917,446.86 has been spent on the road and its equipment. During the last fiscal year the sum of \$10,857,191.87 was spent on improvements. By means of these expenditures, the company has added 450 miles of main line and branches, 391 miles of second track and 713 miles of sidings, and has added to its equipment 633 locomotives, 171 passenger train cars, 26,858 freight cars and 915 work train cars. The equipment has increased 335 per cent in tractive power and 262 per cent in ton capacity. During the past year new equipment has been received as follows:

Five passenger locomotives, forty-nine freight locomotives, six all-steel baggage and express cars, eight all-steel mail cars, five all-steel drop-bottom gondolas, 115,000 pounds capacity; one all-steel drop-bottom gondola, 150,000 pounds capacity; 1,536 all-steel hopper coal cars, 115,000 pounds capacity; twenty-two cabin cars, two steam derrick cars, one pile-driver car, three locomotive cranes and one scoop car.

Road Suffered by Floods. There is an average mileage of 2,023.54 of road operated, and an average mileage of 3,550.02 of track operated by the Norfolk and Western. The total operating expense of the road was \$5,342,960.04, or \$2.74 per mile of road operated, and \$1,561.33 for every mile of track operated. The detailed financial statement for the year has been published heretofore.

The road suffered heavily by the floods in Ohio last March. The direct physical loss to the company from extensive washouts and damage to and destruction of bridges was approximately \$500,000. In addition to the work of restoration, an expenditure of about \$700,000 will be made to put the line beyond reach of similar damage in the future by providing ample waterway at bridges and by protecting banks and fills. The cost of the mere restoration is being charged to operating expenses. The interruption to traffic had a marked effect on the gross earnings of the company.

The act of Congress, approved March 1, 1913, directing a physical valuation of railroads by the Interstate Commerce Commission, will require the preparation of an enormous volume of information, and will be a big expense on the various companies. In order that proper economy can be practiced, President Johnson has appointed a "valuation committee," consisting of the chief engineer, general claim agent and statistician, who have been relieved of all other work, and are devoting their whole time to the matter. The work, it is expected, will extend over several years.

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State Librarian Writing Preface for Eleventh Volume of House Journals.

ONLY ONE MORE YET TO COME

Deliberations of House of Burgesses From 1680 to 1776 to Be Published in Toto.

The important task of collecting and publishing the complete journals of the Virginia House of Burgesses, which was in existence from 1680 until 1776, when it became the General Assembly, is nearing completion by State Librarian Melville and his assistants after years of labor and research. When the work is concluded it will be the original complete edition of the journals ever published. Dr. Melville is reading the proof of the eleventh volume and writing a preface, giving the historical setting in this volume, which embraces the deliberations of the House of Burgesses from 1680 to 1702.

The only complete collection of the House of Burgesses journals are the originals themselves in the Royal Record Office, in London, where they were sent by the Governor of the Colony of Virginia. The vicissitudes of war and pillage have worked havoc with the original duplicate set in the possession of Virginia. The State Librarian has a fairly complete collection of the journals from about 1750 to 1776, but practically nothing of the years preceding that period.

Is Expensive Work.

The journals, published at a very considerable expense, will fill twelve volumes and one index volume. They have been published at the rate of about one a year on account of a lack of funds. To insure authenticity, Dr. Melville arranged to have copies made of the original documents in the Royal Record Office in London. As there was at first some doubt as to whether or not a complete collection of the journals was extant, Dr. Melville decided to put the cart before the horse and publish the later journals first. The volumes have thus appeared in the reverse of their chronological order, and Volume 12, containing the most ancient journals, from 1680 to 1695, will be published last. This volume will appear next year.

Dr. Melville's assistants are also making a list of State officials from 1776 to 1913, an exceedingly difficult undertaking. This work will be printed as a part of the next annual report of the State Librarian.

News of Petersburg

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Petersburg, Va., September 19.

The fifth annual fair of the Southside Agricultural and Industrial Exhibit will be opened in this city on October 14 and continue for four days. The prospects are bright for the largest and best exhibit ever held in Southside Virginia. The premiums offered are especially liberal, and the purses for harness and running horses are sufficiently attractive to induce trainers to bring the best horses. There will be night as well as day attractions, with brilliant fireworks displays. A great contest is expected among the boys' corn clubs, as well as among the producers of corn, tobacco and peanuts and other farm crops generally.

HOSPITAL INSPECTED.

Committee From State Board of Charities Visits Petersburg.

A committee from the State Board of Charities and Corrections visited and inspected the Central State Hospital yesterday, spending several hours in the work. The committee, appointed from the board to inspect the various institutions of the State consists of the Rev. S. C. Hatcher, D. D., of Ashland; the Rev. J. T. Mastin, D. D., of Richmond; and L. J. Stearns, of Newport News. A thorough inspection was made of the hospital and its recent improvements, including those under way.

The committee expressed great satisfaction at the conditions in which

everything was found, and complimented Dr. Drewry, the superintendent, and the board of directors, for the excellent management which has brought the institution up to such a high standard. There are about 1,600 colored patients in the hospital, and it is pretty well filled to its capacity. The capital cost of patients is below that of any similar institution in the State.

SENTENCED TO PENITENTIARY.

William Green, Convicted of Robbery, Gets Ten Years.

William Green, negro, was convicted in the Hustings Court yesterday afternoon of robbery from the person, and was given a sentence of ten years in the penitentiary. Green got hold of Robert Mills, a colored visitor to the city, doped him with knock-out drops, and then stole his watch and money.

Robert Green, colored, got four years in the State prison, with work on the road added, for slashing a woman claiming to be his wife. A woman stood loyally by and pleaded for him, but was forced to show to the jury three scars on her neck, and they were convincing proof of the man's actual intention.

GOOD PRICES FOR TOBACCO.

Sales of Bright Aggregate 6,513 Pounds During Week.

The sales of bright tobacco at the warehouses in this city this week aggregate 6,513 pounds, at an average of \$16.55 per 100 pounds—considered very satisfactory prices. The market for bright is active and larger receipts are expected next week.

The sales of primings this week were 23,025 pounds, at an average price of \$3.27 per 100 pounds. These were good prices, too.

General News Notes.

Sunday will be observed as rally day in the Sunday schools of the Market Street Methodist and Grove Avenue Baptist Churches, and interesting exercises will mark each meeting.

Mayor Cabaniss will appoint delegates to represent Petersburg at the Good Roads Congress, to be held the last of this month, but for the fact that there is no fund out of which to pay the expenses of the delegates.

At the meeting of the State Camp of Sons of Confederate Veterans, this week, a handsome silver loving cup was presented to Samuel D. Rogers, of this city, the commander of the Virginia Division of Sons, by the officers of his staff, in recognition of his faithful services.

The Excelsior Star and Literary Club, a growing organization of colored people, last night elected the following officers: President, L. J. Allen; vice-president, Robert Hill; secretary, H. Z. King; assistant secretary, Everett Graves; treasurer, Stanley Pegram; chaplain, Willis Mason; sergeant-at-arms, William Pegram.

Reports from City Treasurer P. G. Stratton, who is a patient in St. Luke's Hospital, Richmond, are to the effect that he is getting on very satisfactorily and rapidly recovering from the surgical operation he recently underwent. Mrs. Edward Travis and Mrs. James Hays, of North Carolina, are visiting Mrs. W. A. Ruffin, on Harrison Street.

BRYAN'S OPINION FORSEEN BY BANK INSTITUTE

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seat, as the hall was packed to its capacity. Preconvention campaigns had been on for weeks for the next place of meeting, for the presidency, and for positions on the executive council, and candidates for the presidency had opened headquarters, and were distributing cards and souvenirs, while political workers openly canvassed for votes and contended for each technical advantage.

J. E. Rovinsky, of Pittsburgh, presented the report of the committee on post-graduate education, which was discussed by Mr. Dawes, of Nashville, and adopted.

A. M. Barrett, of New York, a former president of the American Institute of Banking, offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to consider the desirability of establishing in the monetary regions a suitable retreat for bank men who are temporarily or permanently disabled on account of ill-health."

Home for Men in Ill Health.

In speaking of the resolution, Mr. Barrett reviewed what the institute had done for bank men in affording them special and technical educational courses in their profession. It frequently happened, he said, that bank men closely confined, fell into ill health. An organization having more than 14,000 members, he thought, could do much for such men by establishing a permanent home such as the International Typographical Union has established at Colorado Springs. There were several seconding speeches, and the resolution was unanimously adopted. The committee to inquire into the desirability of establishing such an institution was named by President Moser as follows:

A. M. Barrett, of New York; F. A. Crandall, of Chicago; Franklin Johnson, of St. Louis; Frank C. Mortimer, of Berkeley, Cal.; and John C. Knox, of Philadelphia.

The committee on credentials reported that credentials had been approved from sixty-three chapters, having a total of 12,756 members. Ten chapters had submitted no credentials and were not, therefore, entitled to vote. The roll of chapters was then called, with the number of votes in the convention which each chapter was allowed in proportion to its total membership. Richmond chapter assigned nine votes. Oakland, Cal., assigned by the committee seven votes, claimed eight, and, after checking the figures, the chairman of the committee allowed the claim.

Disclaim Responsibility.

F. C. Mortimer, chairman of the committee on resolutions, reported the following resolution which was adopted unanimously:

"Whereas the American Institute of Banking is an educational institution, and its policy is to study all sides of public questions, particularly those relating to the business of banking; therefore be it resolved:

"That this institute disclaim any and all responsibility for statements made by invited speakers, and any opinions expressed or policies advanced by them are not to be construed as being the endorsement of this institute."

Resolutions reported by the committee were adopted as follows:

"Realizing the importance of inculcating in the minds of the young the principles of thrift, to the end that the people of our own generation and our posterity may understand more clearly the earning power of money and the responsibilities of citizenship. It is resolved, That the endorsement of this institute in relation to movements having for their object the teaching of economy, prudence and thrift."

"Whereas, agricultural development is an important factor in the economic life of the nation, and advanced education in scientific agriculture will make possible larger production for the betterment of our people, therefore, be it resolved, That this institute lends its hearty support to the study and development of agricultural interests in this country."

"Resolved, That we pledge ourselves individually and collectively to continue with unabated enthusiasm the educational work of this institute as trustees of its principal branches, to the end that the members of the organization shall reach the highest point of character and efficiency in their chosen profession, and thus continue to merit the moral and financial support of the American Bankers' Association, so cordially given."

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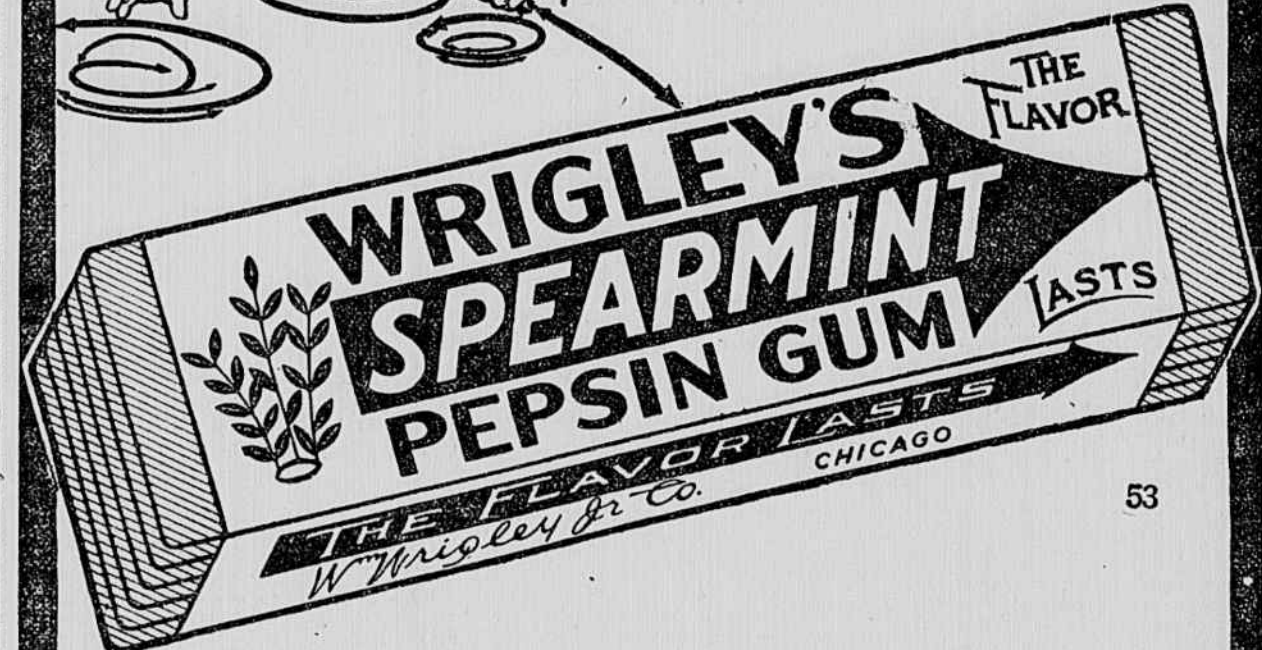
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